

Re: Letter for your Information

Sabrina Forrest to: Silverton Standard

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Hi Mark,

From EPA's perspective, each site is different based on what waters will be treated, where they will be treated, how they will be treated, and other short- and long-term considerations. I *think* these and other factors may be unknowns at this time. I have copied Larry Perino, the ARSG coordinators, and the BLM staff who received the letter from Sunnyside in case they have better information for you regarding cost estimates.

I could upload a report of work EPA and their contractors did for the County and ARSG members if you are interested. It is very large, but shows some 2006 estimates for a process the ARSG did not endorse due to the sludge production, sludge disposal cost and siting issues, etc. Let me know if you want that.

Sincerely,

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Subject: Re: Letter for your Information

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and a ballpark range for the cost of the plant itself?

On Oct 5, 2011, at 9:28 AM, Forrest.Sabrina@epamail.epa.gov wrote:

> Hello Mark, EPA has no comment at this time. We have scheduled meetings
> with the state and Kinross this week and BLM later in the month.

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> Sincerely,

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> To: Sabrina Forrest/R8/USEPA/US@EPA

> Date: 10/05/2011 06:57 AM

> Subject: Fwd: Letter for your Information

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> Any EPA comment on this?

> Sounds like a very positive move

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> Begin forwarded message:

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> From: Larry Perino <Larry.Perino@kinross.com>

> Date: October 4, 2011 8:05:01 PM MDT

> To: "editor@silvertonstandard.com" <editor@silvertonstandard.com>
> Subject: Letter for your Information
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> Mark:
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> I wanted to alert you to the attached letter that Sunnyside has
> just delivered to the Animas River Stakeholders Group and the
> Bureau of Land Management, offering a contribution of \$6.5 million
> towards improving water quality in the Animas River, in
> partnership with the Animas River Stakeholder Group (ARSG).
> As you know, due to recent water quality issues in the Animas
> River, the EPA is proposing that the Upper Cement Creek area be
> designated a Superfund site. Sunnyside strongly believes that
> Superfund is the wrong approach. We believe that a local solution
> involving local stakeholders is a much wiser approach for this
> community - and our offer is a step to keep that process on track.
> If you would like to speak further about our offer or have any
> other questions, I can be reached at the telephone or email
> address shown below.
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> Many thanks.
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> Larry
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> (See attached file: Signed Offer Letter.pdf)<Signed Offer Letter.pdf>